

2. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE BROWN OF SOUTH CAROLINA, OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES:

**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 1588, AS REPORTED
(FY04 DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION BILL)
OFFERED BY MR. BROWN OF SOUTH CAROLINA**

At the end of title III (page ____, after line ____),
insert the following new section:

1 SEC. ____ EXPANSION OF DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE EX-
2 CESS PERSONAL PROPERTY DISPOSAL PRO-
3 GRAM TO INCLUDE HEALTH AGENCIES IN AD-
4 DITION TO LAW ENFORCEMENT AND FIRE-
5 FIGHTING AGENCIES.

6 (a) INCLUSION OF HEALTH AGENCIES.—Section
7 2576b of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

8 (1) by striking subsection (a) and inserting the
9 following new subsection (a):

10 “(a) TRANSFER AUTHORIZED.—Subject to sub-
11 section (b), the Secretary of Defense may transfer to a
12 firefighting agency or health agency in a State any per-
13 sonal property of the Department of Defense that the Sec-
14 retary determines is—

15 “(1) excess to the needs of the Department of
16 Defense; and

17 “(2) suitable for use in providing fire and emer-
18 gency medical services or responding to health or en-
19 vironmental emergencies, including personal protec-



1 tive equipment and equipment for communication
2 and monitoring.”; and

3 (2) in subsection (b)(2) and (c), by striking
4 “firefighting” both places it appears.

5 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENTS .—(1) The heading of
6 such section is amended to read as follows:

7 **“§ 2576b. Excess personal property: sale or donation**
8 **to assist firefighting agencies and health**
9 **agencies**

10 (2) The table of sections at the beginning of chapter
11 153 of such title is amended by striking the item relating
12 to section 2576b and inserting the following new item:

 “2576b. Excess personal property: sale or donation to assist firefighting agencies and health agencies.”.

